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The references were cited in a corresponding Japanese patent application. Japanese Publication No. 11-168505 that was cited by the Japanese Examiner corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 6,542,468 B1.

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